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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3), Applicant hereby petitions for a three (3) month extension of time to respond to the April 22, 2003 Office Action in the above-identified application from July 22, 2003, to and including October 22, 2003. A check in the amount of \$475.00 for the small entity extension fee is enclosed. Kindly charge any deficiencies or credit any overpayments to our Deposit Account No. 03-1721.

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